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PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Application of: Sorge, et al.  
Serial No.: 09/698,341  
Filed: October 27, 2000  
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METHODS UTILIZING DNA  
POLYMERASES

Examiner: Hutson, R.G.  
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Sir:

Applicants hereby appeal to the Board of Appeals and Patent Interferences from the decision of the Primary Examiner dated October 17, 2003, in which the rejection of claims were made final and are herein referred to in the accompanying response.

[ X ] The Commissioner of Patents is hereby authorized to charge the fee of \$165.00 to Deposit Account No. 16-0085, Reference No. 25436/1560 for filing this Notice of Appeal under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(b). A duplicate of this letter is enclosed for that purpose.

The following checked items are appropriate:

[X] A response to the final rejection:

[ ] was filed previously,

[X] accompanies this paper.

[X] A petition for extension of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(b) for three months accompanies this paper.

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Oral Hearing

[ ] An oral hearing before the Board of Appeals is hereby requested under 37 C.F.R.

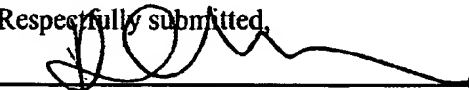
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Respectfully submitted,



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